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#### IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF KANAWHA COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

PABLO A. FALCON,

V.

Plaintiff,

Civil Action No. 17-(-1585

GREENWOOD, INC., and KENNY STEEN, an individual,

Defendants.

# **SUMMONS**

To the above-named Respondent:

KENNETH STEEN c/o GREENWOOD INC. 437 MacCorkle Avenue, S.W. South Charleston, WV 25309

IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA, you are hereby summoned and required to serve upon Carbone & Blaydes, PLLC, Petitioner's attorney, whose address is 2442 Kanawha Blvd., E., Charleston, WV 25311, an answer, including any related counterclaim you may have, to the complaint filed against you in the above styled civil action, a true copy of which is herewith delivered to you. You are required to serve your answer within 20 days after service of this summons upon you, exclusive of the day of service. If you fail to do so, judgement by default will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the complaint and you will be thereafter barred for asserting in another action any claim you may have which must be asserted by counterclaim in the above styled action.

Cally S. Galson, Clerk

Clerk of Court

# CIVIL CASE INFORMATION STATEMENT CIVIL CASES

In the Circuit Court of, Kanawha County, West Vilginia

CASE STYLE

CATHY S. GAT GO. CLERE MANAWHA COUNTY CIRCUIT COUNT

Plaintiff(s)

PABLO A. FALCON 517 Raven Drive Charleston, WV 25306

Case # 17 - C-1585

Judge: 8100M

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Days to
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Type of Service

GREENWOOD INC.

C/o Registered Agent Solutions, Inc.
555 Poca River Road, North
Poca, WV 25159

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Type of Service

KENNY STEEN, an individual, c/o GREENWOOD INC. 437 MacCorkle Avenue, S.W. South Charleston, WV 25309

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Original and \_\_\_\_\_ copies of complaint enclosed/attached.

Plaintiffs: Pablo A. Falcon	Case Number:
<u>Defendants</u> : GreenWood, Inc. & Kenneth Steen	17-C-1585
II. TYPE OF CASE:	
General Civil	□ Adoption
☐ Mass Litigation (As defined in T.C.R. Rule XIX (c)	☐ Administrative Agency Appeal
☐ Asbestos	☐ Civil Appeal from Magistrate Court
☐ Carpal Tunnel Syndrome ☐ Diet Drugs	☐ Miscellaneous Civil Petition
☐ Environmental	☐ Industrial Hearing Loss
☐ Mental Hygiene ☐ Silicone Implants	□ Guardianship
Other:	☐ Medical Malpractice
☐ Habeas Corpus/Other Extraordinary Writ	
□ Other:	
III. JURY DEMAND: ■ YES □ NO	
CASE WILL BE READY FOR TRIAL BY (MONTH/YEAR): 12/2018	
DO YOU OR ANY OF YOUR CLIENTS OR WITNESSES IN THIS CASE REQUIRE SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS DUE TO A DISABILITY? DIE YES NO	
IF YES, PLEASE SPECIFY	
□ Wheelchair	
☐ Interpreter or other auxiliary aid for the hearing impaired☐ Reader or other auxiliary aid for the visually impaired	
☐ Spokesperson or other auxiliary aid for the speech impaired ☐ Other:	
Attorney Name: Mark W. Carbone	Representing:
Firm: Carbone & Blaydes, P.L.L.C. Address: 2442 Kanawha Blvd., East	<ul> <li>Plaintiff □ Defendant</li> <li>□ Cross-Complainant □ Cross-Defendant</li> </ul>
<u>Charleston, WV 25311</u> Telephone: (304) 342-3650	
Dated: November 17,2007	_
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□ Proceeding Without an Attorney

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Plaintiff, CATHY SAFEON, CLEEN MANAGERA COMPONENT COLUMN

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Defendants.

#### **COMPLAINT**

#### I. JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 1. Plaintiff, Pablo A. Falcon, a former employee of Defendant GreenWood Inc., brings this action to redress the wrongs done to him by way of Defendants engaging in age discrimination.
- 2. Jurisdiction of this Court is invoked pursuant to the <u>West Virginia Code</u>, §55-2-1, <u>et seq</u>.
  - 3. Venue is appropriate pursuant to West Virginia Code, §56-1-1.

## II. PLAINTIFF AND DEFENDANTS

- 4. Plaintiff Pablo A. Falcon is an individual residing in Kanawha County at 517 Raven Drive, Charleston, West Virginia, 25306, and over the age of forty (40).
- 5. Defendant GreenWood, Inc., upon information and belief, is a South Carolina corporation with its corporate headquarters located at 160 Milestone Way, Greenville, South Carolina, with its West Virginia operation located at 437 MacCorkle Avenue, S.W., South Charleston, West Virginia, 25303.
  - 6. Defendant Kenny Steen, upon information and belief, is a resident of Kanawha

County, West Virginia.

## III. FACTUAL BACKGROUND

- 7. Plaintiff incorporates by reference herein the allegations set forth in \$1-6\$ above.
- 8. Plaintiff was an employee of the Defendant GreenWood, Inc. The Plaintiff was employed as an electrician.
- 9. The Plaintiff worked out of Defendant GreenWood Inc.'s South Charleston, West Virginia, location.
- 10. On or about May 15, 2017, the Plaintiff was laid off from his employment with Defendant GreenWood, Inc. for lack of work.
- 11. The Plaintiff was over the age of forty (40) when laid off by Defendant Green Wood, Inc.
- 12. Defendant Kenny Steen is the Area Project Manager for Defendant's GreenWood Inc.'s South Charleston, West Virginia, operations and was the Plaintiff's ultimate Supervisor. In addition, upon information and belief, Defendant Kenny Steen made the decision to lay off the Plaintiff.
- 13. At the time that the Plaintiff was laid off, the Defendants retained the employees under the age of forty (40) with less experience than the Plaintiff.
- 14. At the time of the lay off the Plaintiff was told that when work improved he would be called back. Upon information and belief, the Defendants have been advertising for electricians at the South Charleston facility. The Plaintiff has not been called back to employment.

## IV. AGE DISCRIMINATION

- 15. Plaintiff incorporates by reference herein the allegations set forth in ¶1-14 above.
- 16. The Plaintiff is a member of a protected class, over the age of forty (40) years.

17. The Defendants, on or about May 15, 2017, laid off the Plaintiff.

18. The Defendants lay off was based on the Plaintiff's age and not loss of work, since

the Defendants retain employees that were under the age of forty (40) years and with less work

experience.

19. Plaintiff has suffered extreme financial loss proximately caused by the actions of the

Defendants.

20. By the actions above, the Defendants engaged in age discrimination against the

Plaintiff.

PRAY FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff respectfully prays:

1. That Plaintiff be awarded back pay and front pay;

That Plaintiff be awarded pre-judgment interest as allowed by law;

3. Grant punitive damages to Plaintiff; and.

4. That Plaintiff be awarded reasonable attorney fees and costs incurred in

prosecuting this action; and,

5. That this Court grant Plaintiff any further relief it deems appropriate.

JURY DEMAND

Plaintiff demands a trial by jury on all issues so triable.

PABLO A. FALCON,

By Counsel

Mark W. Carbone (WV State Bar #6291)

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December 8, 2017

Cathy S. Gatson, Clerk Circuit Court of Kanawha County Kanawha County Judicial Annex 111 Court Street Charleston, WV 25301

Re: Pablo A. Falcon v. Greenwood, Inc. and Kenny Steen, an individual,

Civil Action No.: 17-C-1585

Dear Ms. Gatson:

Enclosed please find the original of a Notice of Bona Fide Defense of Kenny Steen for filing in the above-referenced matter.

Please mark this document "filed" and place it in the appropriate Court file. A copy of this has been served upon counsel of record.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

With warmest regards,

Bryan R. Cokeley

BRC/pjc Enclosure

cc (w/enc.): Mark W. Carbone, Esquire

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# NOTICE OF BONA FIDE DEFENSE OF KENNY STEEN

Please take notice that Defendant Kenny Steen has a bona fide defense, including matters covered by Rule 12(b) of the West Virginia Rules of Civil Procedure, to the Complaint served upon him in this action and that, in accordance with Rule 12(a) of said Rules, his response to said Complaint will be served within thirty (30) days after the date of service.

Dated this 8<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2017.

KENNY STEEN,

By Counsel,

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2017 I served the foregoing "Notice of Bona Fide Defense of Kenny Steen" with the Clerk of the Court and delivered same to all parties by depositing a true copy thereof in the United States mail, postage prepaid, addressed as follows:

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